

5 **IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: **SHANNON** et al.

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For: **RADIALLY EXPANDABLE TAPE-REINFORCED**
 VASCULAR GRAFTS (As Amended)

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15 **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Hon. Commissioner of Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

20 Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the present application, please make the following changes.

25 **IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the title to read:

-- RADIALLY EXPANDABLE TAPE-REINFORCED VASCULAR GRAFTS --

30 On page 1, after the title, please add the following section:

-- Related Applications

The present application is a divisional of U.S. application Serial No. 09/201,953, filed December 1, 1998, entitled Process of Manufacturing a